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MOONSHINE

THE MOON is called she because it changes with some degree of regularity. The members of R.V.C. yesterday showed that they still have the privilege of being referred to in the third person singular nominative as she.

It was but yesterday that a letter appeared in this newspaper to the effect that the women of McGill were quite willing to co-operate with the men. It was signed by the President of the M.W.S.S. and thereby carried with it all the power and authority that is attached to that body. The sentiment prevalent with the men during the last few years is that hazing is taboo. The freshmen class were informed yesterday of the rules and regulations that are enforced, with monetary deprivation in case of infringement during a week of hazing.

It was a sign of hope when the M.S.P.E. pointed out that they had in common with the R.V.C. the idea of fostering a lowerclass girl during the earlier weeks of her university career. This system showed that it was working well, for another institution to adopt it, but the action of yesterday has shown that there is a reversion toward the older type of introduction to the ideals of McGill.

If the idea is persisted in then we shall hear the tinkling of bells as we go to our nine o'clocks, for the freshmen have to remove the bell from the green ribbon on their right ankle before entering any building. We shall be able to know every girl personally and be able to call her by her first name, seeing it written vertically on a tab in front. We shall be able to revive our dropping knowledge of college songs and pulls when we hear them from the freshmen.

"Will this rain never cease?" should be the interpretation that should be put upon the slogan which the freshmen will have to repeat as they pass an upperclassman, opening their umbrella, carried according to rule, saying "Will this rain never cease?" In spite of the many deprecatory things that have been said against the modern home we do not feel that the freshmen have to come to university to receive training in courtesy and allowing others to pass first and opening the door for them. What ever may have been the anticipation of the upperclass women in requiring the freshmen to repeat the "Today's Saying" from the Daily we do not feel that they will receive any support in the form of long and snappy sayings.

There is some doubt as to the technical authority for the abstracting of a fine of five cents from any erring freshman. Such must come from the M.W.S.S. and if they are of the opinion of their president there will be a hitch in the operations. The M.W.S.S. is the body who will have to deal with the matter and continuing with the utterance of their president yesterday they should act in a degree of consistency.

ESCAPADES

THEATRES seem to exercise a strong attraction to younger members of the genus homo bent on relieving themselves of high spirits, as McGill students have so amply demonstrated in the past. That this mania is not peculiar to the inhabitants of the region bounded by Sherbrooke, McTavish, Carleton Road, and University is nicely proved by the activities of our U. of M. cousins Wednesday night.

In stopping the show for the evening they rose to heights which McGill men have not approached for many moons, not, at least, in our memory. Moreover, stimulant in the form of a rugby or hockey victory does not seem to have been required by the volatile Frenchmen, and although our information on their previous activities is not complete, the achievement is worthy of note.

For the fact that there seems to have been little or no damage they deserve more credit. Similar McGill celebrations seem to invariably result in destruction. Last year the storm centre was a restaurant but the theatres came in for their share of attention. The year before it was mostly theatres.

It is with the perennial hope of "Daily" editors that we would point out one or two facts that may escape the participants in these escapades. While it is undoubtedly true that many of the paraders are not McGill students, the fact remains that a great number are, that the demonstration is essentially McGill in spirit. This puts the Students' Council in an extremely awkward position in having to refuse to pay the damages demanded by the unwilling belligerents, who to their minds, have a perfectly good case. Besides the stigma on the name of the University caused by the acts themselves, which is a serious matter in itself, outsiders get the idea that we will not pay out—to them—just debts or damages.

To those who can only see an argument when it is put in terms of dollars and cents we would say that they, through the Council, and it through the Daily, Revue, Players' Club and other organizations which solicit advertising from Montreal merchants cause the loss of considerable advertising revenues through their thoughtless activities. The "Daily" in particular suffers in the loss of theatre advertising.

Canada is a Large Tract of Fertile Land.....

Go North, Young Man!

"GOOD BYE, Broadway, Helloo Montreal!" and "Fifty Million Yankess Cant Be Wrong!"... thus we are going the movie industry one better and giving you two (count 'em) theme songs with this week's feature article "Canada and Its Birthdays" with Knickerbocker, Jr. and a Three Star cast... and of you are about to exclaim "What has Canada to do with New York life?" just contain yourself and remember that there are more New Yorkers in Canada than there are Canadians.

Canada Dry

For the benefit of those who came in late let us state that Canada is a large tract of fertile land just above Albany... and for those who know very little of this country we will add that in this great and glorious country there is no such thing as prohibition... and for those who never heard of prohibition we will explain, and very patiently, mind you, that prohibition is a law which forbids freedom citizens from partaking of intoxicating beverages... and for the benefit of those who do not know what an intoxicating beverage is we will go even further and state that an intoxicating beverage is one which contains more than half of one per cent alcohol... and now that we've got that out of our system—on to Canada.

Toronto

Toronto is a very large city full of Government liquor stores... these are very interesting places and contain many fascinating varieties of very fine liquors such as Prince of

not at \$4.00 the bottle, Charles Heidsieck at \$3.50 the bottle, Guinness Stout at \$4.00 the bottle which mixes very very smoothly with any of the dryer champagnes and which mixture is very aptly called "Felix"... then there is... but we tarry too long!

Montreal

Montreal is a very large city full of Government liquor stores... these are very interesting places and contain many interesting varieties of very fine liquors such as Gilbey's Dry Gin a nice frosted bottle at \$3.00 the bottle, King William Scotch in Imperial quarts at \$1.00 the bottle, Gordon's Dry Martell at \$3.50 the bottle, to say nothing of Gordon's Piccadilly's also at \$3.50 the bottle which is very very reasonable when you stop to think of it... then there is... but we tarry.

Quebec

Quebec is a very large Government full of Liquor City stores... these are very interesting liquors and contain many fascinating varieties of places such as Doves Black Horse at \$3.00 the bottle and very good it is too, Munro's Extra Dry at \$4.00 the bottle, which, when poured into a glass containing a lump of sugar soaked in Angostura Bitters and a lemon peel, makes a highly interesting combination... then there are Barton & Guestier products such as Gravel and Chablis put up in handy packages at \$9.00 the bottle, Gordon's Stoe Gin at the ridiculous price of \$2.50 the bottle, Canadian Club at \$3.00 the bottle and many many other historical landmarks, "Knickerbocker Jr." in "Life".

Shibboleths

(Daily Illini)

The recent avalanche of newspaper publicity that has given Illinois a superabundance of gratis fame, as well as the perennial misconceptions entertained by a good many worthy burghers concerning college life, lead The Daily Illini today to cast aside its editorial modesty and strike back. We present, in short, an Illini Creed. It consists of a few things that more than a few people believe, things that do not happen to be true. With a bow we present this credo of our own:

That every pledge is subjected to a bullet in the leg as part of necessary initiation procedure.

That fraternity house presidents are expelled and re-admitted at least once every six months.

That a university consists of a few class rooms entirely surrounded by football fields, basketball courts, baseball diamonds and dance halls.

That Illinois deans have eyes in the back of their heads, as well as in every corner of the campus.

That college men come to school to study.

That college men do not come to school to study.

That a good football player is valued more than six eminent professors.

That a library is primarily a place to study.

That nobody ever studies in a library, but it is the data mart of the school.

That the student loan fund is intended to help worthy perennials purchase plenty of collegiate clothing.

That fraternity men try to highlight nonfraternity men.

That nonfraternity men throw large bricks through the windows of fraternity houses.

That a college is a good place to grow colored along social lines.

That the young ladies in sorority houses never put their elbows on the table during dinner.

That the feminine pictures the metropolitan newspapers publish really represent the prettiest girls on the campus.

That college men sneer at milk and guzzle whiskey.

That college men do not sneer at milk but guzzle whiskey, anyhow.

That any sorority house immediately after the evening meal will reveal a parlor full of young ladies clad in formal attire.

That all coeds go about contemptuously smoking cigarettes.

That it is dangerous to let an impressionable young instructor have conferences in his office with young lady students.

That the large appropriations fund is intended to buy Rolls-Royces for all faculty members.

That the young men in fraternity houses invariably throw bread at each other during dinner.

That all students have formed mature views on Shakespeare, and don't take him on the professor's say-

That bow-legged members of the wrestling team invariably play the part of feminine chorus girls in college musical comedy productions.

That recitals by eminent poets go begging, while dance emporia can't be built large enough.

That Illini students do not only know what "sneak a smooch" means, but actually practice it.

That Illini students do not know what "sneak a smooch" means but practice it anyway.

That the 10 o'clock ruling is a good thing for coed morals.

That all college graduates will step out and grab off executive positions in big business corporations.

That co-education is dangerous to the studious trend of the male mind.

That fraternity initiations are cruel and unusual punishment, are contrary to the Constitution of the United States, and ought to be abolished.

That Hodon and Gomeriah had nothing on most universities.

That college education is a waste of time and college students ought to get out and work.

Correspondence

Correspondence is welcomed by the editor, providing writers obey the rules of a newspaper office, and use one side of the paper only. The name of the writer must also be attached, not necessarily for publication.

The Editor,

McGill Daily,

Dear Sir:

Everyone has read one of many war-books published recently. Probably everyone has secretly rejoiced over the low and unnecessary vulgarity contained therein. It is obvious that war is not as pleasant as peace and it is right that it should be "outlawed" (whatever that may mean in practice) by Menzies Hoover and Macdonald. But that gives no excuse to people to get money by commercializing vulgarity. Let them describe the horrors of wounds and the mental strain felt by all the combatants, but why doesn't the censor step in when moral and natural dirtiness are described, as they have been in one widely read book.

In "G.K.'s Weekly" of Sept. 14th "A.M. Currie" reviewing "Gray Dawn-Red Night" a war-book by J. L. Hodon & Gomeriah, as follows, in his 2nd paragraph:

"Especially the author is to be congratulated upon having avoided those cheap tricks of showmanship, which have been standardized in the last years' spate of War Books. He has spared us the vocabulary of the latrine, and in these days that is a merciful dispensation, although it is impossible to tell how it affects sales."

It appears that the adolescent fancy of Strentham and Tooling finds some obscure detection in reading "in print" those words which men ten thousand times better than they used under severe nervous strain, in sheer thoughtlessness, or in simple blasphemy of the Lord and his creature. They say that the recent books are stocked and issued by the chemist-libraries, as "The book with a blank in it," "The book with a dash in it," and "The book with everything but — in it." When the next array taken the field, the men in it will be put to it to invent a new range of decent obscenities which shall be clear of that last emasculation of disgrace of having been smirked over in suburban drawing-rooms. I apologize for the digression, but it is time that these things should be said."

I am, sir,
Yours very respectfully
Conquistador

Deplores Spread Of Mental Ills

Continued from page one
The cost of caring for mental patients has become a heavy burden upon the public pocket, he continued, and the economic loss from this disorder has amounted in late years to appalling amounts. There are at present more beds in mental hospitals than there are in hospitals for the care of acute and chronic physical disorders. It is to mental hygiene, the science of the rules and principles of health of mind, that we must look to ameliorate this unhappy condition.

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